Mr. Chair

Although with divergence views regarding the PPED draft articles, my delegation observes, with satisfaction, that there has been a growing awareness and greater attention from Member States, International Organisations and Donors and the need for international law to strengthen efforts at prevention, response, and recovery during disasters.

- 2. As mentioned by El Salvador, we wish to state and reemphasis that our primary focus is persons in disasters and how to elevate the sufferings of vulnerable communities. We are committed to work together with member states on a framework to address the challeges and frequency of disasters.
- 3. My delegation will continue to support the elaboration of a convention based on the draft articles which will serve as a base framework for cooperation in the face of disasters.

I thank you Mr. Chair